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Ramon and Javier please address ASAP with priority at Selma Park. Next, cull together a list of any other similar sites where signs were removed. Please let me know when it's been re-posted at Selma. Thank you.

And similar wishes for a Happy T-day to everyone here and yours.

Best,

On Wed, Nov 23, 2016 at 10:46 AM, Valerie Flores <valerie.flores@lacity.org> wrote:

Hi Mike and A.P.



Michael Shull <michael.a.shull@lacity.org>

Re: Signage at Selma Park in CD 13 - Confidential, Attorney-Client Communication

1 message

David Michaelson <david.michaelson@lacity.org>

Wed, Nov 23, 2016 at 1:57 PM

To: Jeanne Min <jeanne.min@lacity.org>

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Hi Jeanne. The signs can be posted on the gate/fence that surround the children's playground - not in other areas of the park. We are researching whether the sign's current citation to Penal Code 653b(a) is the most effective law to cite. Next week we will provide further advice on that issue and whether a different state or local law is preferable (or we might suggest an amendment to the LAMC). Thank you and have a great Thanksgiving.

David Michaelson
Chief Assistant City Attorney
City of Los Angeles

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Thank you all!

Valerie & Mike: I know other cities have codified restrictions of adults unaccompanied by a minor in playground areas...I realize this would be a policy to consider, but is there anything unconstitutional should we choose to pursue this as a time, place, manner restriction?

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